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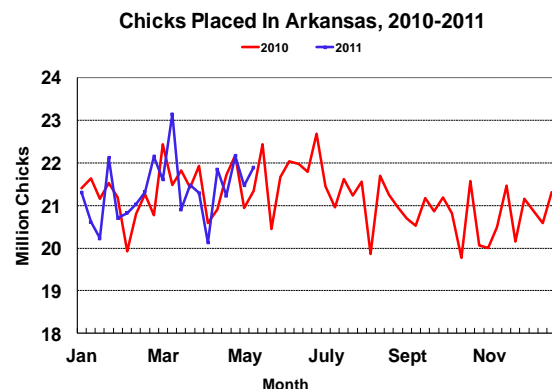
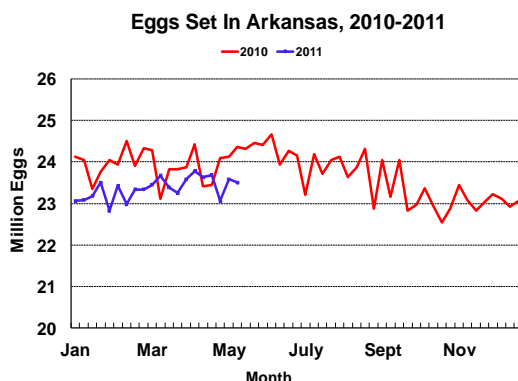


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### Arkansas Chick Placements Up 3 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.9 million during the week ending May 14, 2011. Placements were up 3 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and up 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.5 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 14, 2011, down 4 percent from the same period last year and down slightly from the previous week.



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, April 16, 2011 - May 14, 2011

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	16-Apr	23-Apr	30-Apr	7-May	14-May	16-Apr	23-Apr	30-Apr	7-May	14-May
Alabama	30,293	29,958	29,611	29,861	29,329	21,978	21,592	20,957	20,915	20,891
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>23,630</b>	<b>23,681</b>	<b>23,061</b>	<b>23,583</b>	<b>23,501</b>	<b>21,847</b>	<b>21,231</b>	<b>22,162</b>	<b>21,472</b>	<b>21,894</b>
Delaware	3,902	3,850	3,811	3,860	3,740	4,634	4,614	4,633	5,492	5,190
Florida	1,344	1,221	1,360	1,360	1,358	1,243	1,252	1,317	1,239	1,182
Georgia	33,304	33,825	33,368	33,663	33,479	27,852	28,182	28,637	28,557	28,935
Kentucky	7,560	7,974	7,687	8,011	7,934	6,937	6,771	6,847	6,094	6,405
Louisiana	3,440	3,334	3,288	3,394	3,319	3,064	2,921	3,029	3,031	2,940
Maryland	7,749	7,733	7,738	7,725	7,680	6,221	6,355	6,403	6,266	5,844
Mississippi	19,520	19,384	19,289	19,019	19,295	17,133	16,695	16,666	16,497	16,429
N. Carolina	20,584	20,214	20,441	20,284	20,301	15,874	16,215	16,915	16,731	16,153
Oklahoma	7,219	7,182	7,033	7,073	7,073	4,199	3,740	4,530	3,730	4,460
Pennsylvania	3,541	4,081	3,933	3,847	3,943	2,963	2,790	2,987	2,849	3,309
S. Carolina	5,496	5,478	5,271	5,422	5,345	5,069	4,480	3,957	4,301	4,556
Texas	15,591	15,658	15,527	15,355	15,418	12,631	13,316	13,247	13,223	13,373
Virginia	6,373	6,232	6,685	6,251	6,289	5,532	5,112	4,906	4,449	4,976
CA,MO,TN & WV	19,426	19,334	19,622	19,235	19,303	16,762	17,334	16,047	18,565	17,268
19 State Total	208,972	209,139	207,725	207,943	207,307	173,939	172,600	173,240	173,411	173,805
Prev. Year Total	206,893	207,422	207,319	209,188	210,586	169,539	169,643	172,617	171,075	171,930
% of Prev. Year	101	101	100	99	98	103	102	100	101	101

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

### Broiler-Type Eggs Set Down 2 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 207 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 14, 2011. This was down 2 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 85 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 174 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 14, 2011. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through May 14, 2011 were 3.24 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.